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Mr. Lowell P. Braxton, Administrator
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**RE: CARR FORK RECLAMATION-SUBMISSION OF ANNUAL
MONITORING REPORT & REQUEST FOR RECLAMATION RELEASE**

Dear Mr. Braxton:

ARCO Coal Company has completed the required monitoring of the Carr Fork Reclamation Project and wishes to submit the accompanying final monitoring report for your consideration.

The site was originally reclaimed and reseeded in the fall of 1986 as part of an approved reclamation plan submitted to your agency in March, 1986. ARCO has monitored the site for the past three growing seasons to check on plant growth and survival, erosion of slopes, safety and water quality. An interim monitoring report was submitted to your office in January, 1988.

This seven hundred acre site has now been successfully reclaimed and stabilized. The soil surface is revegetated and all erosion control structures are functioning properly and controlling runoff flows throughout the site.

The final report contains water quality monitoring results, vegetation photo plot data and waterfall increment measurements, along with soil testing, results and a reseeded strategy for revegetation of the remaining six acres of poorly-vegetated soils associated with the smelter site. I believe Joe Jarvis has provided your staff with a review copy of the actual photographs associated with the photo plots.

As we have now completed the required three years of monitoring at the Carr Fork site, ARCO respectfully requests that your office review the final monitoring report and prepare a release from the Reclamation Contract.

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If necessary and as cited in Mr. Holland Shepherd's January 4, 1990 letter to ARCO, please advise when your agency would like to perform its final inspection and we will arrange to have a representative available to coordinate the site visit.

We have enjoyed working with you and your professional staff over the past five years on the successful reclamation and closure of this site and truly appreciate the practical experience your staff has provided to ARCO and its consultants and contractors. Please advise if you have any questions or would like to discuss this matter further.

Sincerely,



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